

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 4872, Health Care and Education Affordability Reconciliation Act, as amended.

Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 257, Adjournment Resolution.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to H.R. 4872, Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2069–S2134

Measures Introduced: Twenty-four bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3164–3187, S. Res. 469–470, and S. Con. Res. 56.

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Measures Reported:

S. 1635, to establish an Indian Youth telemental health demonstration project, to enhance the provision of mental health care services to Indian youth, and to encourage Indian tribes, tribal organizations, and other mental health care providers serving residents of Indian country to obtain the services of predoctoral psychology and psychiatry interns, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 111–166)

S. 1830, to establish the Chief Conservation Officers Council to improve the energy efficiencies of Federal agencies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

Health Care and Education Affordability Reconciliation Act: By 56 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 105), Senate passed H.R. 4872, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to Title II of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010 (S. Con. Res. 13), as amended by operation of Section 313(e) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Rejected:

Sessions Amendment No. 3701, to ensure that Americans are not required to pay for the health benefits for those here illegally by requiring the use of an effective eligibility verification system, consistent with existing law for other federal health re-

lated programs, and to also maintain the current, and well-established requirement of law, that legal immigrants should not become a “public charge” or burden to the American taxpayers, to reduce the cost of this bill, and to reduce the deficit. (By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 95), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Cornyn Amendment No. 3698, to ensure that health care reform reduces health care costs for American families, small businesses, and taxpayers. (By 58 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 96), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Grassley Amendment No. 3569, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure Medicare beneficiary access to physicians, eliminate sweetheart deals for frontier States, and ensure equitable reimbursement under the Medicare programs for all rural states. (By 53 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 97), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Brownback/Murkowski Amendment No. 3697, to index tax thresholds imposed under the legislation to prevent the government from using inflation to impose those taxes on individuals currently making less than \$200,000 and families making less than \$250,000. (By 56 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 98), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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DeMint motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions. (By 56 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 100), Senate tabled the motion.)

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Ensign/Brown (MA) Amendment No. 3710, to strike the penalty for failure to comply with the individual mandate. (By 58 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 101), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Hutchison Amendment No. 3634, to strike the 2-year limitation on the small business tax credit for taxable years after the Exchanges open. (By 55 yeas